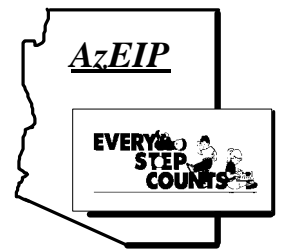




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ARIZONA EARLY INTERVENTION PROGRAM FOR INFANTS AND TODDLERS

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PUBLIC NOTICE

APPLICATION FOR FUNDS UNDER PART C OF THE INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES EDUCATION ACT FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2007 and INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND THE ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC SECURITY: TRANSITION INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT and CHILD FIND INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT

The Department of Economic Security (DES), as the Lead Agency for the Arizona Early Intervention Program (AzEIP), is seeking public comment on the proposed changes to the Application for Federal Funds, and, in partnership with Arizona Department of Education (ADE), is seeking public comment on the proposed changes to (1) the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between DES and ADE regarding the transition of eligible children from the Part C Program (AzEIP) to Part B programs in the Public Schools, and (2) the IGA between DES and the ADE regarding the identification, location and evaluation (child find) of all potentially eligible children, birth through five years of age.

The **Arizona Application for Federal Funds** guides the administration of an interagency, comprehensive, coordinated, system of early intervention services for infants and toddlers, birth to 36 months of age, and their families. The participating State agencies include: the Arizona Department of Economic Security (DES), Arizona Department of Health Services (DHS), Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS), Arizona State Schools for the Deaf and the Blind (ASDB), and the Arizona Department of Education (ADE).

The **Transition IGA** delineates the procedures for the transition of children with disabilities from the Arizona Early Intervention Program to the ADE/Public Education Agency (PEA) system.

The **Child Find IGA** delineates the procedures to ensure that children age, birth through five years of age, with developmental delays or disabilities are located, identified, and evaluated.

The documents, reflecting the proposed changes, are available at www.azdes.gov/AzEIP. If you are unable to access the documents electronically, please contact DES/AzEIP at (602) 532-9960; toll-free at (888) 439-5609, or by email at AllAzeip2@azdes.gov.

The Department of Economic Security, Arizona Early Intervention Program (DES/AzEIP) will conduct public comment hearings on the proposed changes to the 2007 Application for Federal Funds and, in partnership with ADE, conduct public hearings on the two Intergovernmental Agreements at the locations and times listed below.

The public comment period begins on Thursday, May 3, 2007, and will end at 4:00 p.m. on Monday, July 2, 2007. Oral and written comments will be accepted at the public hearings. Written comments on the Application for Federal Funds and the IGAs may also be mailed to DES/AzEIP, 3839 N. 3rd Street, Suite 304, Phoenix, AZ 85012; or emailed to AllAzEIP2@azdes.gov. Additionally, comments regarding the Child Find IGA and the Transition IGA can be submitted to Val Andrews, Program Administrator, Early Childhood Special Education, Arizona Department of Education, 1535 W. Jefferson, Bin 15, Phoenix, AZ 85007, or by email to valerie.andrews@azed.gov.

DATE	DOCUMENTS for COMMENT	TIME	LOCATION
May 15, 2007	IGAs	9:30 - 10:30 a.m.	AZ Dept of Education (ADE) 1535 W. Jefferson St., #417 Phoenix, AZ 85007
June 7, 2007	IGAs	4:00 - 5:00 p.m.	3839 N 3 rd Street Suite 301 Phoenix, AZ 85012
	Application	5:00 – 6:00 p.m.	
June 12, 2007	IGAs	4:30 - 5:30p.m.	Pima County Public Library Murphy-Wilmot Branch 530 N. Wilmot Rd. Tucson, AZ 85711
	Application	5:30 - 6:30 p.m.	
June 12, 2007	IGAs	1:00 – 1:45 p.m.	Yuma Elementary School District Board Room 450 W. 6 th Street Yuma, AZ 85364
	Application	1:45 – 2:30 p.m.	
June 13, 2007	IGAs	3:30 – 4:30 p.m.	Community Education Center Northland Pioneer College 2251 N. Navajo Blvd. Holbrook, AZ 86025
	Application	4:30 – 5:30 p.m.	
June 20, 2007	IGAs	4:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Ponderosa High School Building 2384 N. Steve's Blvd Flagstaff, AZ 86004
	Application	5:00 pm – 6:00 pm	

Comment on all documents must be received by **4:00 p.m.** on **July 2, 2007**.